

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0059] of the specification as follows:

Further, on the front surface 18b of the frame 18, a brake 28 for stopping the rotation of the disk is provided as required. The brake 28 comprises a case 28a, a movable part 28b, a pat part 28c and a spring 28d. The case 28a is formed integrally with the frame 18. However, the case 28a may be composed of another member made of the same material as that of the frame 18 or a different material from that of the frame and may be attached to a prescribed position of the frame 18. Further, the case 28a has side walls formed integrally with the frame, protruding on the front surface side of the frame and surrounding at least three sides and a top plate provided integrally with the side walls to cover an upper part with an optical pick-up module side opened. In FIG. 5, a moving axis of the movable part 28b passes the center of rotation of the spindle motor 19e to regulate a movable range by the case 28a. The spring 28d is set so as to push out the movable part 28b toward the diametrical center of the spindle motor 19e. The pat part 28c is provided on a surface of the movable part 28c facing the diametrical center of the spindle motor 19e and made of a material high in its friction coefficient relative to a material of the disk such as silicon rubber, felt,

etc. The surface of the pat part 28c that comes into contact with the disk has an inclination of an angle of θ on a surface parallel to the disk relative to the vertical surface of the moving axis 28e. Thus, even when there is unevenness in the outer form of the disk, the amount of contraction of the spring 28d when the pat part 28c comes into contact with the disk is constant, so that the pressing force of the pat part 28c to the disk is constant. Specifically, an expected uneven width of the outer form of the disk is 0.3 mm to 0.6 mm. An amount of inclination θ of the surface of the pat part 28c coming into contact with the disk and width G shown in FIG. 5 are set so as to meet the expected uneven width of the diameter of the disk. The movable range of the movable part 28b and the pat part 28c is set to a distance F from the center of the spindle motor 19e to the center of the surface of the pat part 28c, that is, 58.5 mm to 61.5 mm. G is set to 4 mm to 10 mm. Further, the spring 28d is set so that a pressing force of a prescribed load (for instance, the weight of about log) is exerted on the disk from the pat part 28c when the disk having the diameter of 120 mm is mounted and the pat part 28c collides with the disk for braking. In such a setting, the rotation of the disk having the diameter of 120 mm can be adequately stopped. Further, the dimension H of the surface of the pat part 28c in contact with the disk in the

direction of thickness of the disk is set to 4 mm to 10 mm.

Thus, upon stopping the disk, the side surface of the disk can assuredly abut on the pat part 28c including a backlash of the disk in the direction of thickness of the disk or a curve of the disk within a prescribed range upon mounting the disk. The movable part 28b is provided with an inclined surface 28f. An external pressing rod presses the inclined surface 28f to obtain the movement of the movable part 28b in the diametrical direction of the spindle motor 19e. Specifically, the pressing rod is provided on the disk taking out movable disk cover of the portable electronic device. The movable disk cover is closed so that the pressing rod presses the inclined surface 28f. Then, the movable part 28b separates from the disk 28g to release a brake.